

Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

Parent Helpers' Liturgy

Thank you to everyone who came along to today's assembly at which we were able to officially thank the many parents who assist our school throughout the year. These parents were representative of our mums, dads, grandparents and others who help in a myriad of ways across our school. We thanked these parents today but I would also like to send out our thanks to those who couldn't be with us. Without such magnificent support our role in educating the children would fall well short of the mark. This support is a great exemplar to your children of how we as Christians help each other, not just our own children but others and the teachers as well. So to all of our helpers over the year, we send out a huge thanks and we offer our prayers of thanksgiving for your sharing with us.

Tuckshop News

Our Tuckshop Convenor Vicki Turner, has applied for, and been granted, a year's leave from her role with us so that she can spend time with her husband who is currently contracted to a government position in the Solomon Islands. This will mean that she finishes up with us at the end of next week. Vicki has done an excellent job in her role over the last five years and I would like to thank her for her tremendous efforts. She has developed a welcoming and friendly environment in the tuckshop for parents during her time and has established a caring and loving rapport with our children. We wish her well for her time overseas and look forward to seeing her in 2015.

In the interim we have engaged an external catering company, Metropolitan Canteens, to take over the running of our tuckshop. They are currently servicing a number of similar sized schools on the Coast. They will continue to utilise our new Munch Monitor system and work within our current pricing structure although there will be some price increases as is usual at the start of each year. Metropolitan Canteens will be advertising shortly in the Gold Coast Bulletin for a replacement for Vicki so if any parents would be interested in this position it would pay to keep an eye out for this job. The successful employee would be employed under the Metropolitan Canteens banner and would be under their wage and employment conditions. This is a new direction for us as a school in outsourcing our Tuckshop. We would be looking to make the changeover as smooth as possible and further details will be sent out early in the new year.

Report Cards & Portfolios for Semester 2 2013

Our end of year Report Cards and Student Portfolios will be sent home in a sealed envelope on this Friday afternoon at the end of the day. These documents provide an analysis of where your child is at this stage in their educational journey. The portfolios particularly help to provide visible evidence of their work over this semester. I would like to thank our teaching staff for their commitment to the development and organisation of the reports and portfolios. They have put a great deal of time and thought into them and it is certainly appreciated.

Last School Assembly - Wednesday, 4 December

Our final school assembly will be held on the above date in the Doyle Centre at 9.00am. At this assembly we will thank God for the many blessings we have received and been a part of this year. We will also present our Whole School Awards and say goodbye for a short term to Annette O'Shea and Vicki Turner who will be away during 2014. Parents are most welcome to come along to this assembly.

School Banking finished for the Year

Yesterday was our last School Banking day for the year and sadly we say farewell to Tracy Fitzpatrick. Tracy has been involved with the baking ladies for more than ten years and as her daughter is finishing Year 7 she now relinquishes this duty. Tracy has been our co-ordinator for the last eight years which is a marvellous effort. This program is an excellent way to encourage your children to save and learn about the value of money. It also helps our school out as our P & F Association receives commission for any monies put into the program. This year we were able to purchase the new school electronic sign which cost just under \$20 000. I would like to thank our small but reliable group of ladies who come in each week to process our deposits and especially thank Tracy for her efforts over the years.

Catholic Schools Yearly School Goals Review

Tomorrow our Leadership Team - Annette, Bernadette, Tony and I - will be joining with the Leadership Teams from across the Gold Coast to review our annual school goals. We will be meeting with our Area Supervisor, Trevor Doyle, and other Brisbane Catholic Education personnel in a series of meetings to review and plan for 2014. In our absence Diane Anderson will be our Teacher-in-Charge.

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Coming Events

Thursday November 28
Swimming Trials
6pm-Tuckshop Volunteers
Get Together

Friday November 29
Yrs 2 & 3 Swimming Carnival
****PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE**
Last Day for Bookshop.

Monday December 2
Yr 7 Activities Day

Tuesday December 3
Yr 7 College Transition Day
2pm - Yr 1 Christmas Concert

Wednesday December 4
Final School Assembly - 6CB
School Awards
Yr 7 Reflection Day in MPC
Last Day for Tuckshop

Thursday December 5
2.40pm - Yr 7 Guard of Honour
7pm - Yr 7 End of School Liturgy
in Doyle Centre

Friday December 6
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Mass Times

Children Mass
(Doyle Centre - children read at Mass)
5.30pm 1st Sunday each month

Children's Liturgy of the Word
(Doyle Centre - children are withdrawn for brief lesson)
10.00am 2nd & 4th Sundays;
5.30pm 3rd Sunday
8.30am each Sunday (school term)
at St Benedict's, Mudgeeraba

Parish Mass Times
Sat—5.00pm Miami;
6.00pm at Palm Beach;
6.15pm at Burleigh Heads;
Sun-7.00am at Palm Beach &
Burleigh;
8.30am at Mudgeeraba & Miami;
10.00am at Doyle Centre;
5.30pm at Doyle Centre

From our Principal *continued*

New Class Meet & Greet Day

Next Tuesday during our middle session the children will be moving to their new class group for 2014. This will give them the opportunity to meet with their new classmates and with their new teacher. They will also be moving to their new room. This session is an important part of our transitioning in to the new year. We will welcome our new Year 7 teacher, Dwayne Thorburn, during the day. Dwayne is currently teaching at St Matthew's Catholic School at Cornubia where he has been for the last seven years. He will meet his new class as well as various members of our staff as preparation for 2014. The rest of the day will see the children in their usual rooms.

End of School – Friday, 6 December

I would like to remind our parents that school finishes for this year at 12.00pm on Friday, 6 December. Classes will run as per usual for all year levels apart from Year 7 who will officially finish with us on Thursday evening of next week at our Farewell Liturgy. Please let your children know of this change and let them know what will be happening as far as pick-up goes at the end of school. We will have Morning Tea as normal but the children will not need any main lunch as we will be finished by then. It is especially important that you let our younger children know of this routine change as often these types of changes can cause distress for them. Thank you for your anticipated support with this matter.

Thanks for reading – enjoy the rest of the week

Yours in Christ
Greg Casey

From our Assistant Principal - *Tony Barron*

Movember

A Big Thanks to everyone who has supported the Marymount Mo Bros in their Movember Quest. With only 3 days to go, we have raised around \$900, and still growing! (Thanks also to Daniel Biskin for joining our team).

Money raised goes towards supporting world class men's health programs and mental health challenges.

These programs, directed by the Movember Foundation, are focused on:

- awareness and education
- living with and beyond cancer
- staying mentally healthy, living with and beyond mental illness
- research

Movember Team is- Marymount Primary Mo Bros.
Register and Donate on- <http://au.movember.com/donate>.

Thanks again.

Have a great week
Tony Barron

GOLD COAST PUBLIC TRANSPORT CHANGES ARE COMING

From 20 January 2014, if you or your child catch an urban bus route or Queensland Rail train to school on the Gold Coast you may be impacted by upcoming changes to public transport network. To find out if your service is changing, visit translink.com.au.

Detailed information booklets will be distributed to all Gold Coast households prior to these changes. Handheld timetables will be provided closer to the introduction of the network change in January and will be accessible online from the TransLink website.

It is important to note that these changes are for urban bus routes operating on the Gold Coast. Dedicated school services, operated by Surfside Buslines will still service local schools. Information on school service timetables and routes can be accessed online at www.surfside.com.au.



Well done to Jayden Wright who has been selected in the Queensland Track and Field team.

Parent Helpers Liturgy
and Morning Tea



PATRON PARENTS EVENTS

1A & 3Y - Thursday 28 November - After school
Pirate Park, Palm Beach -Kellie-Lee



Congratulations to Mary Amongst Us Award winners who were presented with their certificates and medals at today's assembly. Finn Knowles, Luke Rana-Smith, Finn Murphy, Jeremy Birgan (2P), Zalyrius Patelesio-Faamausili (5Y), Charlotte Sellars (2Y), Trinity Flynn (6M) and Codey O'Neill (6M).

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finish at 12noon
on
Friday December 6



LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL TUCKSHOP TRADING HOURS.
Tuckshop will CLOSE on THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER

The tuckshop will operate normal hours Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. We may not be able to provide all menu items, however will do our best.

A very big thanks to the ladies who helped on our Sausage Sizzle Day, it was a great success, very busy and lots of laughs were had. Thanks to all children who participated in our theme day, you sure seemed to enjoy your snag and Glee!

Tuckshop Helpers Christmas get together - THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER 6pm at North Burleigh Surf Club. There is still time to join us, just let me know before 3pm tomorrow. It is always a great night; look forward to seeing you all there.

LAST ROSTER FOR 2014 !
Monday 2 December.....Sharon Bartlett
Tuesday 3 Decmber.....Deb Hopkins
Wednesday 4 December..... NO HELPERS THIS DAY

ONE LAST CRY FOR HELP! The tuckshop will be very busy in the last week of school, particularly lines for iceblocks etc. Please try and offer a couple of hours where you can so the children can enjoy their play time with their friends.

Have a great week
Vicki Turner

FOR SALE - MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS



Dear Parents

I have been approached by two grandparents who have brought their grandchildren musical instruments, the children were not interested and the instruments remained in their boxes. The instruments are a temby flute (a very good flute) which has the invoice attached for \$760.00. This flute has not been played and has a 12 months warranty. They are asking \$500.00 The other instrument is an Alto saxophone absolutely brand new still packed in the box. The retail price on this sax is \$2.500.00 they are asking \$1.900.00.

I also have access to some second hand instruments that parents want to sell. They are in very good condition.

- 1 tenor saxophone retail at \$2.800.00 the asking price is \$1.400.00
- 1 clarinet \$300.00
- 1 flute \$300.00

For further information or to view these instruments please ring me on 0407748093 or send an email to colhoymail@gmail.com.

Regards, Colin Hoy

SPORTS NEWS

Swimming Carnivals 2014

Trials - Thursday 28th Nov (PM)
Year 2 - Friday 29th Nov (AM) **New date
Year 3 - Friday 29th Nov (PM) **New date

Please note change of date for Yrs 2 & 3



Mr Wilkins' guitar group entertained everyone at today's assembly.

BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

Parish Office Hours 9.00am to 5.00pm
Parish Manager: Mr Jim Littlefield
Parish Pastor: Fr Ken Howell

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